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WHITE HEAVIES HAVE SPOT LIGHT

Elimination Contests at Los Angeles Attracting Much Attention and Bombardier Wells May Take a Hand

Heavyweight aspirants for championship honors are marching onward to Los Angeles. They are making things hum in the southern metropolis, and it is beginning to look as if the big fellows will attract a deal of the interest that was theirs when such famous warriors as Jim Corbett, Fitzsimmons, Sharkey and Jeffries were performing in the roped arena.

Al Palzer, the New Yorker, and Luther McCarty are already on the ground and will prance in the limelight for the next three weeks while they are preparing for their New Year's clash, the winner of which will be crowned the heavy-weight champ.

The big-white contest is attracting heavyweights from all over the world. The latest to enter is Bombardier Wells, the English champion. Promoter Tom McCarty is trying to match the Bombardier person with the winner of the Palzer-McCarty go Wells intends to visit this country again in the near future, and will likely strike-out across the country for Los Angeles.

Frank Moran, the Pittsburgh 180 pounder, is hanging around in the south, and his manager, Gregory Mitchell, is endeavoring to get Promoter McCarty to give him some consideration. Moran, however, hasn't received much attention to the challenge that he hurled in the ring on Tuesday night. Fans in these parts believe that the big red-top is a comer, and Jimmy Coffroth intends to give him a chance if Los Angeles passes him up.

Perhaps the richest joke of the whole contest was a story printed in a Spokane paper to the effect that Tommy Burns was offered \$25,000 to go against one of the "white hopes" in an elimination contest. Now, can you figure any sane promoter putting up this money for Burns? It is out of the question.

That Burns is anxious to do a "come-back" is indicated by a Los Angeles dispatch, which states that Luther McCarty has received a request from Tommy Burns to go to Vancouver and box the former heavy weight champion three rounds on December 21. McCarty turned down the offer, replying that he intended to begin his heavy training on that date for his bout with Al Palzer.

Tommy Burns could, perhaps, step three rounds, but he would not be likely to attempt a "come-back" in twenty-rounds go. Tommy is bothered with a troublesome knee, which has prevented him from doing heavy training stunts.

Al Palzer began training at Doyle's training quarters in Los Angeles December 12. He will do light muscle-loosening exercises for a week or two. He has three weeks in which to get into shape for McCarty and will take things easy for a while. It is said that Frank Newhouse, who umpired in the Coast League last season, may be secured to train Palzer. Newhouse has had some experience, having been associated with Young Corbett when the latter was in his heyday.

McCarty is going up in the mountains to camp out in the open, and he will return and start his work in a week or so.

HEMPSTEAD HEADS GIANTS.
NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The directors of the New York National league club today elected H. N. Hempstead as president, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late John T. Brush. C. J. Sullivan was made vice-president.

"It is the intention of the Brush family to retain control of the club and I will endeavor to the best of my ability to handle the property on the same high plane as that to which John T. Brush brought it," said Hempstead. "There will be no change in the management of any nature, and McGraw, of course, will continue to manage the Giants."

"He will have the same free hand that he had in working with Mr. Brush."

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Rex Hitchcock Gets High Praise From Eastern Football Critic

A Boston newspaper during the latter part of the football season, ran a series of sketches of members of the Harvard football team, under the caption, "Who's Who on the Harvard Eleven?" Rex Hitchcock of Honolulu comes in for high praise in one of these sporting biographies.

The story reads as follows: "Harvey Rex Hitchcock, Jr., Harvard's right tackle, hails from Hawaii."



REX HITCHCOCK.

and came to Harvard from Oahu College, out in the Pacific Ocean. Hitchcock is an unconscious comedian, the sidewalk conversationalist sort, but a funny man born to the manor. The football quarters are continually in uproar when he is on hand. The "Laughing Hawaiian" is his varsity table title.

Hitchcock picked up stray bits of football in his three years of experience at Oahu and then pulled on his ten-leaguer boots and came state-

wards. At Harvard we first find him as a freshman guard. Last fall and during the present season he has been a tackle.

An all-around gamester is this Sandwich Islander. He actually doesn't know when he has enough. This was never demonstrated so specifically before at Harvard as during one of the practices held last season following the Holy Cross game. It was to be an elimination scrimmage and the coaches dubbed it the Bloody Monday of Harvard football. One man played at tackle from start until almost a finish, when the coaches were forced to log him off the field in a condition of near helplessness. He shook his fists at the remainder of the players as he left, and snarled and spit as he tried to tear away from the hand-detecting him. It was Hitchcock who got his baptism of fire that afternoon and won a wholesome respect from players and trainers alike. He clinched his position, too, and hasn't been dislodged since. Then, too, there is a little word of six letters that is torn from his dictionary. He knows no "defeat."

Hitchcock is the leading candidate for the 1913 captaincy, and his chances for a niche in the All-American hall of fame are very bright. He is a good tackler, gets every advantage his position can give him, and has proven a tower of strength to the offense, especially on plays just outside of tackle.

Hitchcock is a human fish, doing all sorts of stunts in the water, and a member of the swimming team. Like his fellow-Hawaiians, Paul and Latorop Withington, he is not only a good football performer, but also a clever fishman. He was a candidate for pitcher on the baseball team, but a sore arm and lack of experience relegated against his success in his first year out. "Hitchy" is also champion football golf player, and has a standing challenge.

He is 21 years old, 5 feet 8 inches tall and weighs 181 pounds. His college fraternities are Digamma, Phenix, Institute of 1770 and D K E.

PHYSICAL FITNESS FOR BUSY MEN

BY FRANK A. GOTCH.
The Swimming Problem.

A great many business men tell me their daily exercise consists of a swim, lasting from ten to thirty minutes, in a tank of some natatorium. They argue that this swim combines exercise and cleanliness.

Now and then we discover an individual who is peculiarly adapted to the water. But where we find one who thrives through the process of swimming every day we find many who have actually deteriorated through his form of exercise.

The ideal condition in exercise is a work up perspiration through the action of bodily heat. The action of the muscles and the motion of the body transmute energy into heat. The body's combustion is increased—waste materials from the cells are thrown out and the sweat glands and lungs are called upon to dispose of a large amount of bodily sewage.

While the swimmer may go through the same amount of motion, and while he may argue that he is washing away the waste as it appears at the surface of the body—he is, in reality, closing the pores against the escape of this waste material. The coolness of the water produces a reaction in the body, and the pores are, in reality, closed. Therefore, the swimmer, through his

exercise, piles up most of the duty of elimination on his kidneys and liver.

The person who benefits most from swimming is the one who has already rid his body of waste and who does not pile up much of this poisonous matter to be disposed of during his swimming exercise. Profuse perspiration is one of the requisites in any sort of exercise. This workout should be followed by a bath, about the temperature of the body, and then by a rubdown with a rough towel.

The swimming tank may offer many pleasures, and in its place it is very good. Athletes frequently indulge in a shower bath following their workout, and then plunge into a tank and take a swim. What they are really seeking is not more cleanliness or greater activity, but it is the toning effect of the cooler water in their bodies. Some persons find a very disagreeable reaction, and they experience a shock instead of toning effects.

The business or professional man who has gone without exercise actually finds that when he engages in swimming as his sole means of physical recreation he is slipping backward rather than moving forward.

Swimming in this light becomes a dangerous fad, and the real value of the swim has been submerged in the deteriorating effects following.

AD WOLGAST IS STUNG ON BETS

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 11.—Ad Wolgast, recently deposed lightweight champion, and his manager, Tom Jones, lost nearly \$8,000 on the Flynn-McCarthy fight last night, and the former champion told his friends today that he would never bet another penny on a fight.

Friends of McCarthy gleefully told tonight of the manner in which Wolgast and Jones were hoodwinked by McCarthy and his manager, Billy McCarney, who has been "at outs" with Jones for years.

The lightweight and his manager made several trips to McCarthy's training quarters before the day of the fight to size up the stranger, and upon each occasion the young Missourian was instructed by McCarthy to "box like a dub." After McCarthy had given a woeful exhibition, Nat Goodwin, the actor, would saunter in and with a show of reluctance, accept all wagers offered by Wolgast and Jones.

So cleverly did the 20-year-old slant play his "dub" part that Wolgast gave out a statement before the fight to the effect that McCarthy did not even know how to hold his hands, to say nothing of boxing, and predicted an easy victory for the Pueblo fireman.

An ordinance has been passed by the San Francisco board of supervisors limiting the height of billboards in that city to ten feet.

RACE COMMITTEE IS WORKING HARD

Arrangements for the New Year's Day race meeting at Kapiolani Park are going on apace, and all that is needed to make the event the big success that it deserves to be is a get-together spirit between the horsemen and general interest by the public. Honolulu is essentially a sport loving community, and certainly the offering for New Year's is tempting enough to draw out a record crowd.

The committee held a meeting yesterday, and decided on a tax of 50 cents for admission to the grandstand and one dollar to reserved seats. The park being unfenced, there is no way of collecting a general admission in the accepted sense of the term, but those who stay in the ground will be at a great disadvantage, and it is expected that even one who can escape the price will help out by buying a seat. A large enclosure will be fenced off around the grandstand, and admission to this will be 25 cents, the cheapest price on the list.

The saddling paddock will be located on the far side of the track, just in rear of the judges' stand, for the coming races. This is a much better location for it than by the side of the grandstand, as was the case on Labor Day, the horses not only being out of the way of the spectators, but being right under the eye of the judges, and making the work of the clerk of the course considerably

PIRATE PITCHER HAS HIGHEST AVERAGE

Hendrix of Pittsburgh, with twenty-four games won and nine lost, leads the National League pitchers for the season of 1912, as shown by the official pitching records. His percentage of victories is .727 and only five points behind comes Cheney of Chicago, who won twenty-six and lost ten games. Five of the first nine men are members of the pennant winning Giants. Tesreau, Marquard and Ames, a New York trio, stand third, fourth and fifth, respectively. After Richie and Leifield, Chicagoans, next in order come another Giant pair, Mathewson and Crandall. Matty's standing is eighth, with twelve games lost to twenty-three won, and a percentage of .557.

Rucker, Brooklyn's left-handed star, pitched the greatest number of shut-outs—six—with Sack of Cincinnati and O'Toole of Pittsburgh next, each having five white-washes to his credit. Packer figures high in the standing of another table which Secretary Hendrix has prepared, showing the standing of boxmen according to the average or runs earned off their pitching. The Brooklyn left-hander is third on this list, with an average of 2.20 runs per game, only Tesreau with 1.95, and Mathewson with 2.12 runs per game topping him.

Alexander of Philadelphia struck out 185 men men, the record number for the season.

PHILIPPINES IN LIMELIGHT NOW

Possible legislation for the Philippines at this session of Congress was discussed with President Taft today by Representative Olmstead of Pennsylvania, the ranking minority member of the House committee on insular affairs. The President is understood to discuss the Philippines quite extensively in his second message to Congress, to be sent to that body tomorrow, or within a few days. The President and Mr. Olmstead feel that there is much legislation that should be enacted for the benefit of the islands, but there is also much doubt as to whether the Democrats will permit anything of importance to be done at this session of Congress.

It is generally believed to be the purpose of a number of Democrats, probably with the quiet backing of W. J. Bryan, to attempt to give the Philippines their independence, when the Democrats obtain full control of all branches of the government, as they will after March 4. No such legislation will be attempted at this session, as the President would quickly veto any proposition of that kind, all of his speeches in the past having indicated his belief that the people of the islands are not yet prepared for self-government, and will not be for a number of years.

The President, probably the greatest authority on the islands and their people, would not wait a second to use his veto power upon any proposition looking to the independence of the islands, and he may take part in the controversy that will be started by the Democrats after he goes out of office.

Leading officials of the government are of the opinion that when agitation starts over independence it will do harm in the islands, especially if the agitation should fail of success. Disgruntled natives of the islands would, it is believed, use the agitation to start revolts and discontent.

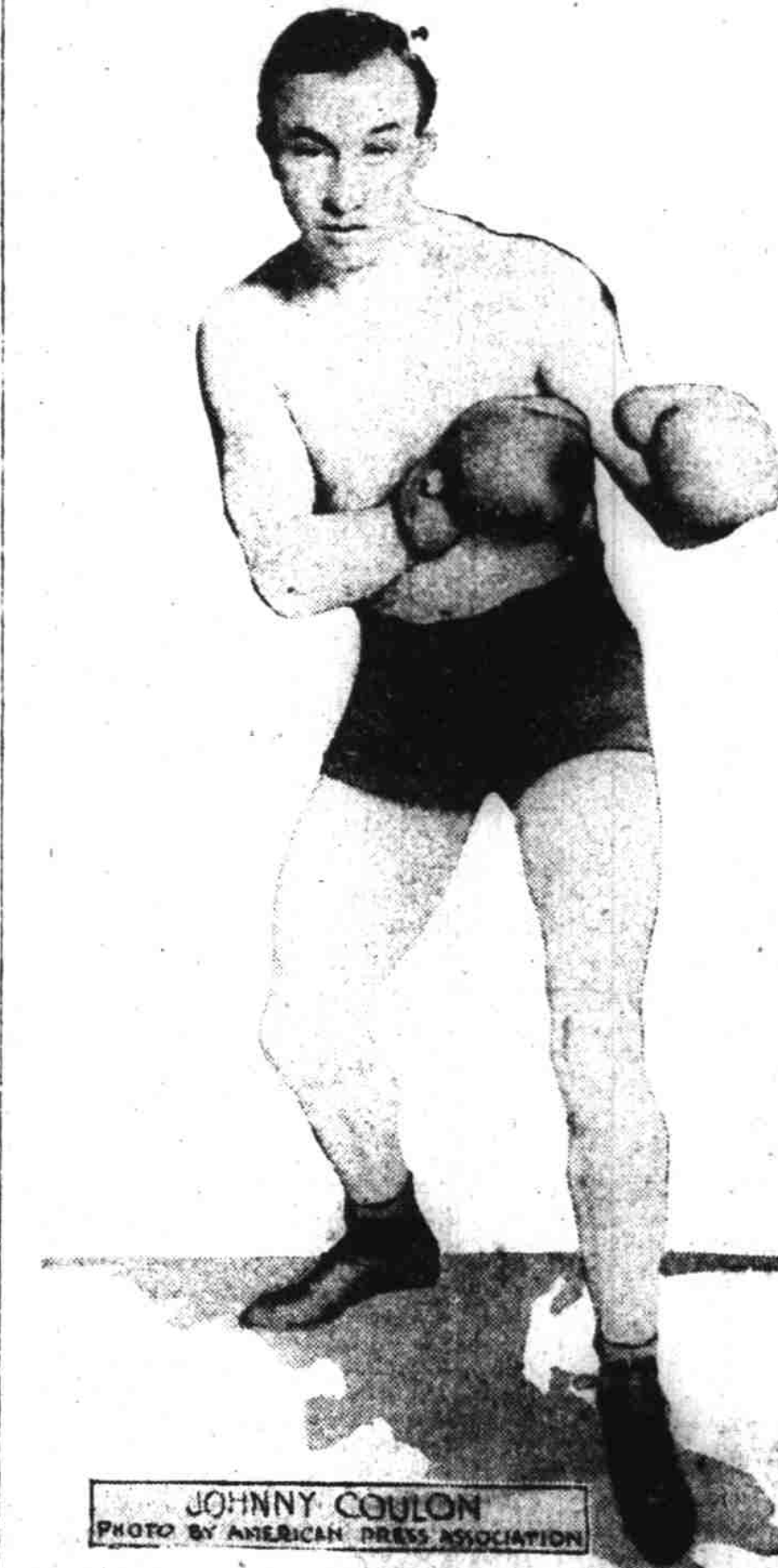
The President had a visit today from the Alaska railroad commission, as it is known, the members of which are Maj. J. J. Morrow, formerly engineer Commissioner of the District; C. M. Ingersoll of New York, Civil Engineer Cox of the Navy, and Dr. Alfred H. Brooks. The commission started for Alaska last August and traveled 12,000 miles by different means of conveyance to study the future railroad needs of Alaska. The commission has completed its report and laid it before President Taft, who will shortly transmit it to Congress.

In the "dynamite conspiracy" trial at Indianapolis, Edward Phillips of Syracuse admitted having voted for the reelection of John J. McNamara as secretary of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, although he knew him to be in jail in California on a charge of dynamiting and murder.

An earthquake shock believed to have occurred in Mexico or Central America was recorded at San Jose.

There is a long program to be run off during the afternoon, and all the races will have to be run without delay. The track will be fenced on both sides, for about a furlong on each side of the wire, as a matter of protection to the crowds. This will greatly lessen the danger of accidents during the motor races, and will be a boon to both drivers and spectators.

French Scrapper Is Trying To Steal Johnny Coulon's Title



JOHNNY COULON
PHOTO BY AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

New York fight critics are seeking to deprive Johnny Coulon of his title of bantam weight champion of the world. Charles Dedoux of France arrived in New York a few days ago, and the first thing he announced was that he was holder of the world's bantam weight championship. The fight experts there immediately fell in line and figured out how he happened to possess the laurels.

They declared Jim Bowker won the championship from Frankie Nell when the Californian was the king of the division, and later lost it to Digger Stanley, who, in turn, was beaten by Ledoux, who is now in New York claiming the wreath.

It certainly required some time for the critics to learn that Coulon was

not the legitimate champion. Before Ledoux arrived in New York no one disputed the Chicago boy's right to the honors, and he has been battling as champion for nearly four years. Coulon was awarded the title when it was learned that none of the bantams could make the legitimate figures, which are 116 pounds. When Frankie Nell fought and was beaten by Bowker he weighed 122 pounds, as did the English fighter. Digger Stanley is not a simon pure bantam weight and cannot train down to less than 118 pounds. The bouts were not considered as being for the championship of the world.

Coulon did not claim the title as soon as he found out there was no small man capable of making the required notch. He fought every bantam he could find.

SIX-DAY BIKE RIDERS AT IT

NEW YORK, December 8.—With an entry list of fifteen teams and a track considerably improved in its construction, this year's international six-day bicycle race, which started at midnight in Madison-square Garden, gives promise of being productive of faster and more interesting riding than any of its predecessors. The new track, which measures ten laps to the mile, was built for increased speed, being banked at a sharper angle at the turns, with broader approaches to the two stretches, both of which are shorter than heretofore.

To avoid unnecessary delays in changing partners and "loafing" under the pretext of unavoidable accidents, the rules governing the race were changed so that any team not represented through accident or design after the others have covered ten laps shall be penalized the distance which it may have lost. Judges and inspectors have instructions to see that the intentional delays caused by so-called "accidents" shall not profit the offenders.

Last year the riders demanded that the cash prizes be arranged on a percentage of the gate receipts, and the winners were dissatisfied with the result. This year the nine leading teams will receive cash prizes as follows: First \$1600, second \$1000, third \$800, fourth \$700, fifth \$500, sixth \$400, seventh \$300, eighth \$200, ninth \$100.

In addition, about \$5000 in bonuses will be divided among the riders.

Many of the entrants are veterans at the game, but new blood will be infused into this contest and the foreign element is strongly represented.

At 11 o'clock tonight, after forty-seven hours' grind. The evening had seen a number of remarkable sprints. At 10 o'clock the riders were nineteen miles and two laps ahead of the record, but a slow up left them sixteen miles and six laps ahead of the record at 11 o'clock.

The San Francisco police engaged in a hand-to-hand fight with two hands of gipsies. The gipsies had been fighting among themselves but joined forces against the police. The women were more vicious in their attacks than the men but were not arrested on account of the children.

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